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Re: MUR 5642 - Statement of Designation of Counsel and Request
for Extension of Time

Dear Mr. Jordan:

Enclosed please find a Statement of Designation of Counsel executed by Jane Scott on behalf of the Columbus Metropolitan Club authorizing me to act as their counsel in Matter Under Review 5642.

The complaint against the Columbus Metropolitan Club in MUR 5642 was served on Jane Scott as the registered agent of the Club in Columbus, Ohio on January 31, 2005. Upon receiving the complaint, Ms. Scott informed the Board of Directors of the Club and sought guidance regarding how to respond. Ms. Scott first contacted me about representing the Club on February 8, 2004, but I was not formally retained and did not receive a copy of the complaint until Friday, February 11, 2004.

As you know, 11 C.F.R. § 111.6(a) provides that a respondent may file a written response to a complaint within fifteen (15) days of receiving it in order to demonstrate that no action should be taken against the respondent. Since the complaint in MUR 5642 was served on the registered agent for the Columbus Metropolitan Club on January 31, 2004, a response is due tomorrow, February 15, 2004.

Although I have initiated an investigation into the allegations of the complaint, there will not be time to complete that effort and prepare and file a written response to the complaint by tomorrow. The Columbus Metropolitan Club believes that the allegations in the complaint are

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frivolous and, if allowed to file a response in accordance with 11 C.F.R. § 111.6(a), will be able to demonstrate to the Commission that there is no reason to believe that the Club violated any provision of the Federal Election Campaign Act or Commission regulations. In order to prepare a complete response to the complaint, I may need to interview one or more employees of the Club as well as one or more individuals who attended the October 13, 2004 event that is the subject of the complaint. Accordingly, I hereby request an extension of time of twenty-one (21) days until March 7, 2004 to file a response to the complaint in MUR 5642. We believe that granting this request will ultimately result in the conservation of Commission resources because the response will allow the Commission to dispose of this complaint at the reason to believe stage.

Sincerely,



Brett G. Kappel

Enclosure

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The above-named individual is hereby designated as my counsel and is authorized to receive any notifications and other communications from the Commission and to act on my behalf before the Commission.

02-09-05 Jane Ann Scott Executive Director
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